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FOLLOWING REPEAT DAR ES SALAAM 3676 SENT ACTION NAIROBI
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QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 3676

SY CHANNEL

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: VERBAL THREAT ON LIFE OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG

1. EMBASSY LAST WEEK RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT A
VERBAL THREAT BY AN EXPATRIATE DAR ES SALAAM RESIDENT
TO THE LIFE OF AMBASSADOR ANDREW YOUNG. EMBASSY DID NOT
REGARD DANGER AS IMMINENT AND HAS POUCHED REPORT TO RSO
NAIROBI. REPORT WILL NOT HAVE YET BEEN RECEIVED. IN
VIEW VISIT TO NAIROBI BY AMBASSADOR YOUNG AUG. 29-SEPT. 1, WE
ARE REPEATING GIST OF REPORT TELEGRAPHICALLY.

2. TWICE DURING THE MONTH OF JULY DAR ES SALAAM RESIDENT
MR. GEORGE JOHN (NATIONALITY UNCERTAIN) MADE THREATS ON
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THE LIFE OF AMBASSADOR YOUNG. THE FIRST THREAT WAS
MADE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, THE SECOND WHILE
SOBER. THREAT NUMBER TWO AS QUOTED BY NCOIC WAS QUOTE
THE NEXT TIME HE (YOUNG) COMES TO DAR I WILL HAVE
HIM SHOT. AND I WILL HAVE THE PERFECT ALIBI, I WILL
BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY. END QUOTE. MR. JOHN'S THREATS
APPEAR TO BE BASED ON HIS DISAGREEMENT WITH STATEMENTS

MADE BY AMBASSADOR YOUNG CONCERNING US POLICIES ON GREECE,
CYPRUS AND SOUTHERN AFRICA.

3. MR. GEORGE JOHN IS OF GREEK CYPRIOT DESCENT, MALE,
APPROXIMATELY 40 YEARS OF AGE. NATIONALITY UNCERTAIN BUT
PRESUMABLY GREEK OR CYPRIOT. HE HAS NO VISIBLE MEANS OF
FINANCIAL SUPPORT. JOHN LEFT TANZANIA IN EARLY AUGUST FOR
EUROPEAN TRAVEL, PURPOSE AND DURATION UNKNOWN.

4. POST HAS NO OTHER INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN EVALUATION
OF THREAT.
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